BOARD LETTER – SUMMARY SHEET HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES CLUSTER

AGENDA REVIEW	9/24/2014
BOARD MEETING	10/7/2014
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT	ALL
DEPARTMENT	MENTAL HEALTH
SUBJECT	Request approval for the Department of Mental Health (DMH) to adopt a Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Workforce Education and Training (WET) Regional Partnership Plan for Fiscal Year (FY) 2014–15 through FY 2017-18 and enter into a contract with the State of California's Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD) for the provision of services outlined in the MHSA WET Regional Partnership Plan.
PROGRAM	Office of the Medical Director
DEADLINES	N/A
COST & FUNDING	The proposed contract with OSHPD will cover three (3) fiscal years, with DMH receiving a total of \$1,800,000. The projected funding breakdown by fiscal year is as follows: • 2014-15: \$315,300
	• 2015-16: \$742,350 • 2016-17: \$742,350
PURPOSE OF REQUEST	Pursuant to County policy, Board approval of the recommended actions is required to authorize the anticipated receipt of WET Regional Partnership funds. Board approval is also necessary in order for DMH to submit the WET Regional Partnership Plan and to execute a contract with OSHPD.
	In accordance with existing procedures for obtaining stakeholder feedback on MHSA programs and services, on May 21, 2014, DMH presented the WET Regional Partnership Plan at the System Leadership Team (SLT) meeting. During this meeting, DMH addressed public questions and concerns about the plan.
SUMMARY/ ISSUES (Briefly summarize program and potential issues or concerns.	The former California Department of Mental Health (State DMH) developed and received approval by the California Mental Health Planning Council for the first WET Five-Year Plan that covered the period from April 2008 to April 2013. Following the elimination of State DMH in July 2012, the MHSA Wet programs were transferred to OSHPD.
Identify changes, if any, to level of funding or staffing; how funding will be utilized and why best use; prior accomplishments; and for BLs involving contracts, also note	Regional Partnerships are set forth in Section 5822 (d) of the Welfare and Institutions Code (WIC) as an important workforce strategy to assist the public mental health system. Regional Partnerships are included as a priority strategy under the WET Five-Year Plan 2014-2019, which was approved by the California Mental Health Planning Council. Regional Partnerships were designed to develop and implement mental healthcare workforce development strategies that align with the WET Five-Year Plan 2014-2019 and address regional needs by strengthening recruitment, training, education, and retention of the public mental health system workforce.

changes to the contract term.)	As a result of the comprehensive stakeholder process and needs assessment, counties throughout the State identified the need to recruit and retain psychiatrists as a critical priority. Acceptance of this award and execution of the OSHPD contract will enable the continuation and expansion of current psychiatric residency and fellowship programming, improving system capacity for the expanded provision of outcomes
	driven, evidence-based models of care and recovery.
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